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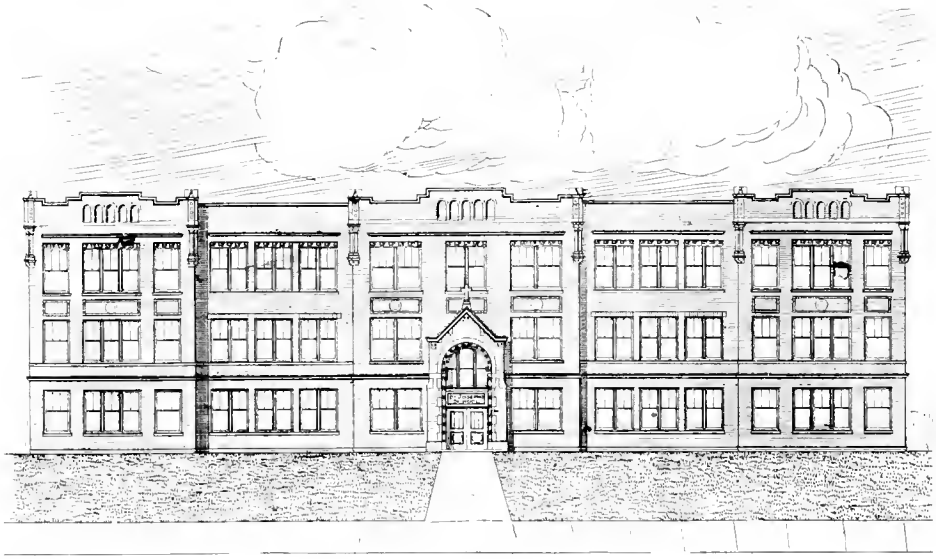
Decatur, Indiana

"One Event Happeneth to Them All"

DEDICATION

Dear Mothers and Dads,
We are thinking of you,
Of all you've done,
And of all you do,
And every day,
It makes us glad,
To know we have,
Such Mothers and Dads.
At this happy time,
Above all times,
We're thinking of you,
And the many ways,
You've helped us along,
And made us glad.
Though it is no comparison
To what you have done
Yet as a bit of a token,
Of our love for you,
We dedicate this book,
To you—Our Mothers and
Dads.



Proposed New School

SENIORS

SENIOR CLASS '24

Motto—"Let be my name; till I make my name."
Flower—Yellow Tea Rose
Colors—Peach and Silver
Gift—Proceeds of Class Play
Class Guardian—Sr. M. Antonita.

MARIE H. FOOS

(Foosie)

Varsity Basketball '21 '22
Glee Club '21 '22 '23 '24
Class Treasurer '21 '22 '23 '24
Class Will '24
High School Play '23 '24
Student's Association '22 '23 '24
"Tattler" Staff '21 '22 '23 '24

"A sweet heart breathing cheerfulness,
Like the spring time of the year,
Seemed ever on her steps to wait."
(Mrs. Hale)

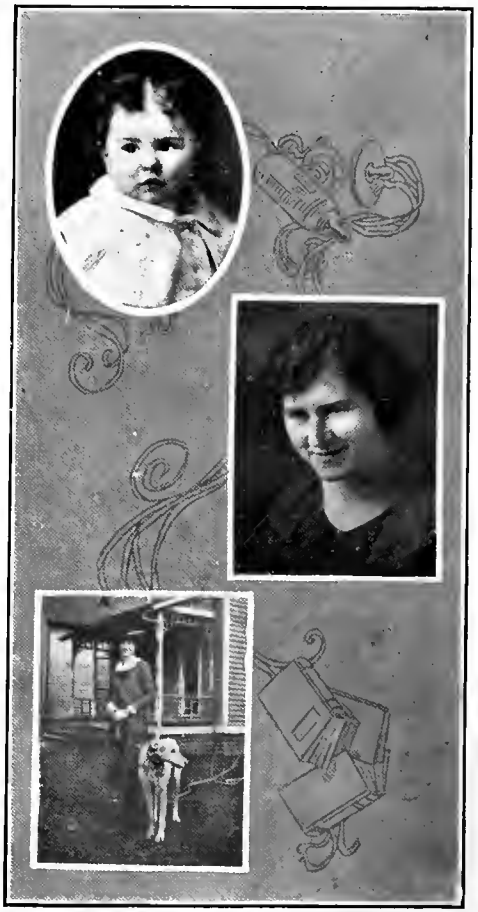
ANNA L. BAKER

(Bake)

Varsity Basketball '21 '22 '23 '24
Glee Club '21 '22 '23 '24
Class President '21 '22 '23 '24
Class History '24
High School Play '23 '24
Student's Association '22 '23 '24
"Tattler" Staff '21 '22 '23 '24

"But then her face,
So lovely, yet so arch, so full of mirth,
The overflowings of an innocent heart."

Rogers.



ANNA R. DOWLING

(Ann)

Varsity Basketball '21 '22 '23 '24
Glee Club '21 '22 '23 '24
Class Secretary '21 '22 '23 '24
Class Prophecy '24
High School Play '23 '24
Student's Association '22 '23 '24
Editor "Tattler" '24

"Behind me lies the Past;
before me, the Future."

SENIOR CLASS HISTORY

Early one morning in the September of 1920, five trembling, little girls approached the threshold of a new world. A new world it was, for D. C. H. S. opened its gates to the second class to enter her portals and we: Winifred Clark, Anna Dowling, Marie Foos, Anna Schulz and Anna Baker were beginning our first year of high school. About a month later our class was strengthened by the admission of two boys, Donald Lothamer and Aloysius Heideman.

During the first year of high school we carried six subjects: Latin, English, and Mathematics, taught by Sr. Vera; Religion, taught by Fr. Seimetz; Bookkeeping and History, taught by Sr. Antonita.

A few weeks after school began, a class meeting was held, at which Anna Baker was elected class president; Anna Dowling, secretary; Marie Foos, treasurer; and Winifred Clark, historian. These officers were to remain the same during the four years of High School. At this meeting we also chose our class colors, peach and silver, and class flower, yellow tea-rose.

Anna Schulz, on account of ill health, was forced to leave school, before completing her Freshman year. This left us a class of two boys and four girls, a somewhat bolder class than the one that entered, the first day of school. At the close of the first year we aided the Sophomores in putting out the first printed issue of "The Tattler," a product of which the school was justly proud. We also took part in a beautiful little selection. "The College Girl and the Milkmaid," in which Anna Dowling cleverly starred as the "Milkmaid." With this success, we considered our first year complete.

The second year we returned to school with a different attitude. Although, our ranks had been decimated by one-half for Winifred Clark, Donald Lothamer and Aloysius Heideman had decided to discontinue their studies, we the remaining three Sophomores had discovered that High School was not an impossible undertaking, and so returned in higher spirits. The addition of a new Freshman class also proved to be an encouragement for us, for we now felt that we were not the greenest material, but had begun to materialize. The second year we followd up the course we had begun the previous year, substituting Commercial Law and Spelling for Bookkeeping. Another teacher, Sr. Sylvester, History and Mathematics teacher, was added to the faculty. Being thus encouraged, our second year ran along smoothly and closed with a delightful entertainment, "Dixie Land" staged by the boys, and "Peer Gynt Suite" given by the girls.

September of 1922, welcomed us, a Junior class, of three girls. This may seem a very small class, but this is the way we looked at it, "Great things are often done up in small packages."

On our return to school that September we found that the Sister's home had been converted into school rooms. Their former dwelling had given way to, Domestic Science Kitchen, Chemistry Laboratory, Commercial Room, Typewriting Room and Recitation Room. By this much-needed addition, we saw that the parish people really did see the value of our new high school, and so we worked all the harder to make it a great success.

This year we carried the same line of subjects, substituting Typewriting and Shorthand for Commercial Law and Spelling. This was also our first year of Chemistry and it certainly had its exciting moments (explosions). Sr. Almeda took Sr. Sylvester's place in the Mathematics and History Department.

But again, our entire time was not taken up with our studies. Toward the close of the year, we took part in the Senior class play, "The Heart of France," which met with great success. The boys presented a very clever comedy, "Uncle Sam's Boys in Camp," which also met with great approval. We were then called upon to aid the Seniors in putting out the first Annual, D. C. H. S. ever published. This book proved itself worthy of the reputation our school had established in the publication of "The Tattler." After examinations, we breathed a sigh of relief since we had passed three successful years of high school, and on our return to school would have no higher class to boss us. At the close of the school year in 1923, the Juniors gave a Reception in honor of the Seniors. The Sophomores were guests at this reception.

Alas, we are Seniors! That long-looked-for year has come, and we feel most dignified. Only three of us, and the privilege of bossing the other classes. We certainly had one great task bringing the "Junior Bachelor Six" to time. (I wonder whether they were duly impressed with our greatness.)

The last lap of our school life in Decatur, is flying only too swiftly. We feel certain that we have gained a fund of knowledge during these years and owe the greatest part of it to our never-tiring teachers. One great success of our last year was the debate held with C. C. H. S., Fort Wayne, from which we carried the palm. This we cannot claim as our victory for had it not been for the ceaseless energy of our teacher and the prayers of sympathetic souls, we would never had made the points the judges awarded to us.

Again, we appear on the stage, this being the last time under the name of D. C. H. S. We successfully staged, "The Merchant of Venice Up-to-Date." The entire student body of the high school took part in this comedy. Under the direction of Mrs. Holthouse, a very beautiful selection of songs was given by the Boy's and Girl's Glee Clubs.

Our last great undertaking is the publication of our Annuat, which we hope will be appreciated by every purchaser and will serve as a reminder of us. So ends the History of the first and last "Triumvirate" to have held the reins in D. C. H. S.

SENIOR CLASS WILL

We, the Senior Class of Nineteen Twenty-four, of Decatur Catholic High School, located in Adams County, Indiana, being of good health and sound in mind and memory, do this day make our last will and testament.

We, the Senior Class, bequeath the following; to-wit:

1. To the rest of the student body, we bequeath dear old D. C. H. S.
2. To the faculty we leave the privilege of instilling in the minds of the students, what they have failed to instill in ours.
3. We bequeath the "piano' 'to whoever can open it.
4. We bequeath the victrola to those who can succeed in taking Harding's speech in shorthand.
5. We bequeath the kitchen to the Junior boys.
6. We leave the wonderful typewriters to whoever can manipulate them.
7. We leave our beloved back-row desks to the best-behaved of the Junior Class? ? ? ? ? ?
8. Foosie leaves some of her advoirdupois to Mary Colchin.
9. Bake leaves her lankiness to Tubby Gass.
10. Dowling leaves her ability as an orator to Fred Schulte.
11. Marie's Virgil is left to Robert Voglewede.
12. Bake's History Notebook is left to Hugh Holthouse.
13. Dowling leaves the editing of "The Tattler" to the most capable of the Juniors.
14. Mary wills her cheerfulness and independence to Earl Christen.
15. Bake and Dowling will their basketball bloomers to whomever they fit.
16. "Mary" wills "Marie" to Harris.
17. Anna Baker wills her "once in a while rosy cheeks" to Anna Nesswald.
18. Dowling's Virgil is left to whoever can translate the shorthand notes in it.
19. Anna Baker bequeaths Bassanio to whoever wants him.
20. Anna Dowling leaves the mirror in the clothes closet to the femininity of D. C. H. S.
21. Any stubs of pencils, erasers, or scraps of paper that we may inadvertently have left behind us in the haste and excitement of gathering our treasures for the last time, we leave to those who will have left those accessories at home on the first day.

22. Last comes the one item from which it is hard for us to part: To our successors we must leave our places in the hearts and thoughts of our Pastor and teachers. They will love them, just as they have loved us; they will evince toward them the same interest in their attempts and successes; the same regret when they fail. We trust that the class of '25 will appreciate all this as deeply as we have done, and will never cease to do.

Besides these enforced gifts, we leave—not of necessity—but of our own free will—our blessing; tender memories of our pleasant associations; together with our forgiveness for anything that our schoolmates may not have exactly appreciated in our demonstrations during the past year, and a pledge of friendship for our school from henceforth and forever.

All the rest of our property, whatsoever and wheresoever, of what nature, kind or quality, not herein before disposed of (after paying our debts and funeral expenses), we give and bequeath to the faculty, for their use and benefit absolutely, to be disposed of for the good of the future classes as they see fit. And we do hereby constitute and appoint the principal of D. C. H. S. sole executor of this our last will and testament.

In witness whereof, we, the Class of 1924, the testators, have to this last will, set our hand and seal this the first day of June, Anno Domini, one thousand, nine hundred and twenty-four.

MARIE FOOS.
ANNA L. BAKER.
ANNA R. DOWLING.

SENIOR CLASS PROPHECY

In 1967, the Alumni editor of "The Tattler" published the following account in his column. We republish it now, that it may serve the purpose of encouraging ambition in the coming generation:

"We were not a little surprised to hear of the disappearance of one, who in the 'dear dead days beyond recall' was a member of the class of '24, Marie Foos, by name. Her life reads like a book review. Following her graduation from old D. C. H. S., she struck off across the continent to see the world.

"One day when her friends, despairing of ever setting eyes on her again, had begun to wear mourning, she drifted back to the old home town. The next morning she had a temperatupre of 104, and her ears were hanging down. She recovered by and by, and began to give the old home town the 'once over.' She decided that things just wouldn't do, and that what was needed was a 'hustler.' So, she brought forth cash enough to make the proprietor of Eats Restaurant relish a retired life, while she took over the business.

"The first thing Marie did was to make a change in the menu. She substituted parched corn for grape-fruit as an entree. Before the end of the month, the customers were cackling, and the cook was busy studying Purina advertisements. Marie, or 'Mam'selle Marie,' as she was now known, trembled with joy at her success. But the bug of ambition was biting, and Marie longed to fly to greater heights. So she ripped off the roof of the restaurant, put in a balcony, with a place for real chevalier glass. She threw the regular waiters out of work, when she substituted dumb waiters, for the convenience of the customers. Night and morning, the D. C. H. S. orchestra led by Dicky Miller, rendered a choice repertoire of 'Aloha Oi,' 'Three Blind Mice,' and on special occasions, 'That Old Gang of Mine.'

"Mamselle was all for the public. Her oyster buckets bore the notice, 'We for you, and you for us.' Mamselle saved the morals of the town when she made it impossible for Johnny Joe to sell chocolates to minors, on Sunday. The town trembled with joy at possessing such a treasure of modernism and public spirit. Heigho! Heigho! it was a wonderful life—and might have came to—who knows what—had not a young restaurant owner from the Pacific coast, Andy Appleman by name, and also an Alumnus of D. C. H. S., drifted back to town.

"Marie approved of Andy; Andy on his part approved of Marie's ever-growing trade. Consequently, one bright morning in May, Andy and Marie stepped along arm in arm to the strains of Lohengrin's Bridal March. Their friends were happy, threw the usual collection of rice and shoes, wished the newly-weds good luck, and then went home.

"The wedded life of Mamselle, dragged along uneventful, until one bright morning, early the city populace was 'roused from its slumbers, by the blowing of whistles, the ringing of the Central and St. Joe school bells, respectively. What was the matter? Only this: Mamselle could not be found. Her husband was quite distracted, and to this day, blood hounds, beagle hounds, detectives, and rewards have been unsuccessful in locating Mamselle."

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The following obituary appeared in a recent copy of the Daily Democrat. It concerns one Anna Baker, a member of the famous '24 Class of D. C. H. S.:

"Miss Anna Baker, Ph. D. M. D. LLD. has drifted away. Her life was just one thing after another. Following his graduation from D. C. H. S. in '24, she entered upon, and completed a nurses' training course at Milwaukee. Several essays of Miss Baker, com-

ing to the attention of the Health Board of that city, they recognized in her the making of a great scientist. So the city gave a benefit show, and with the proceeds, financed her way thru' John Hopkin's University.

"Miss Baker came in for much attention at this institution. One day John D. Rockefeller Jr. was visiting a class at the University in which one of Miss Baker's essays was read. Struck by the deep insight and judgment of the writer, he persuaded her to study in France at his expense. She acceded to the request. While abroad, she made one great contribution to science. She proved quite brilliantly the absurdity of sending a rocket to the Moon, for as Miss Baker reasoned, 'The Moon is not a stationary body, and would have moved away from the spot at which the rocket was aimed, by the time said rocket arrived.'

"Soon Anna grew weary of 'gay Paree,' and longed for a chocolate soda, bought at Johnny Joe's. So she stuffed her suitcase with souvenirs for the home folks, and took the first steamer out. When she reached N. Y. she sent a telegram to the Lord Mayor of Decatur, Fred Schulte, informing him of her arrival in the good old U. S. A., and of her intention to visit Decatur. The mayor, poor man, was quite flustered. He immediately called a meeting of the city council, composed of Earl Christen, Judge of the City Court; Hugh Holthouse, Fire Department Chief; Robert Voglewede, the richest man in town; George Laurent, President of the Old Adams County Bank; and Gerald Mylott, Editor of the Daily Democrat; all members of the Class of '25. They decided to give "Bake" a booming welcome, and Gerald Mylott was instructed to run a special edition of his paper. Consequently, when Miss Baker stepped from the Interurban, she received an ovation that threw her off her feet. My Lord Mayor caught her and marched her along at the head of the school children. As this procession headed down Second Street, the large watering tank over Schafer's Building, was seen to totter and fall. There was also an eclipse of the sun.

"After all the excitement of her arrival had died down, "Bake" summoned the City Council, and together they inspected the City. "Bake" proposed that the St. Mary's River be converted into a canal. The council demurred, but collapsed before "Bake's" scientific arguments. The result was, that within a year dredging machines had come and gone, and Decatur was resounding with the toot! toot! of the steamers that ran from Pleasant Mills to Buffalo, N. Y. But the tremendous task, which Miss Baker had undertaken, began to bear her down, and soon resulted in her demise."

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The 1990 May issue of the American Magazine, prints the following about one of the members of the D. C. H. S. Alumni.

"Somewhere among the Fiji Islands, where the oranges grow, and real monkeys are employed by the natives to shake the cocoanuts from the trees, there stands a quaint stuccoed bungalow, occupied by a decrepit old lady, and her still more decrepit dog. A representative of this magazine, while exploring the islands, The old lady's name is Anna Dowling, and the dog's name is Jack. discovered the strange pair, and on returning to the U. S. pried into the lady's history, and dug up the following:

"Her career had been just one grand tussle with adverse circumstances. After her graduation from D. C. H. S. in '24, she set about seeking that wary female, Dame Fortune. She knew that she could never look her fellow-beings in the face until she had done something noteworthy, so she decided that the best way to begin, was to clear up the Teapot Dome Scandal that was agitating the United States. Accompanied by her faithful dog, Jack, she shook the dust of the old home town, from her feet, and trotted up to Washington. Well, now, history doesn't say what means she employed, but when Ann was thru', the lid of the Teapot had been straightened, and tea was once more simmering, and being served up to Congress at each session. Congress gratefully voted her a medal bearing the words "Teapot Dome," and a new collar for her dog.

"About this time, Ann decided to settle once and for all the question of America's entrance into the League. She accordingly sent home for the material on the question, that Earl Christen, Anna Baker and herself had used when they defeated C. C. H. S. Armed with this, she appeared before Congress, and presented her points. When Magnus Johnson would have protested, Ann hypnotized him by the way she said, 'Sir.' Before the year was out, America was in the League, busy sending troops across to help the foreign countries of many lands, settle their disputes. She received many attractive offers of marriage, but she was too busy mapping out a career to join hands. When she walked down the streets of Washington, followed by her dog, Jack, mothers plucked their children by the sleeve and said, 'See, you too, will be famous some day if you always wash behind your ears and eat the crust of the bread'.

"She had the Bacillus Litteraticus moving about in her system, and in the course of time became a member of the Grand Lodge of the Ladies of Insomnia. She wrote many strong articles favoring an Irishman as President of the U. S. Some of these agitated Congress to such an extent, that the members decided to station her for life in the Fiji Islands, as a menace to society. Here she can be seen to this very day.

"No doubt, after her death, her fellow countrymen will realize what a great genius they have nipped in the bud, and will erect a monument to her in reparation for their disregard of her remarkable ability."

CLASS ODE

I

Comrades of four years past,
The time has come at last,
When we must part.

II

Now as the time draws nigh,
Mem'ry brings a tender sigh
For schooldays past.

III

Days void of care and strife,
Brimful of joy and life,
We've had 'em all.

IV

Thus days became months, then years,
Swiftly the time appears
When comes the end.

V

Farewell, then, one and all,
We go at duty's call.
Adieu, —.

SENIOR CLASS SONG

(Tune. "No! No! Nora")

S-e-n-i-o-r, spells Senior,
Senior of '24.
It's simply great to be a Senior I know,
And have a Senior's joys and care.
Just what it means to be a Senior,
How many of you realize?
To some it means handshakes and hasty farewells,
Hear what it means to us, Seniors.

(Chorus)

Farewell, Seniors! Our paths now are parting,
Yet dear Seniors, Thru' years to come,
We'll ne'er forget this class of ours,
We wouldn't, we couldn't, we love it so.
We have mem'ries too many to mention,
Yet we'll give 'em a bit of attention,
And shall we e'er forget D. C. H. S.
No! No! Seniors, No! No!

COMMERCIALS

COMMERCIAL CLASS '24

Class Motto—"Work—or Get Out."
Class Flower—Sweet Pea
Class Colors—Green and Cream.

OUR CLASS

The Commercial Class of '24,
Counts only Ray and John, no more.
But all will say our worth is par,
For both of us will be a star.

Typewriting, that was my delight,
I'd hit the keys with all my might.
In Shorthand, Ray was champion right,
For he could dash those crooks all right.

That English sure did get my goat,
I never knew just what I wrote;
While Spelling always troubled Ray,
He used the big book every day.

In Commercial Law, we both did star,
They'll soon admit us to the bar.
With all our knowledge thus defined,
You see we're the best, that you can find.

We'll say good-bye to all of you,
Teachers, Classmates, Friends, so true,
The time has come when we must part,
To show the world that we are smart.

J. Alberding, Com. II.

COMMERICAL CLASS
John Alberding, Raymond Wertzberger

COMMERCIAL CLASS HISTORY

'Twas one fine day,
When John and Ray,
With eager looks,
Packed up their books.

They met two girls,
With pretty curls,
Just at the door,
That made it four.

'Twas Helen fair,
Who did her share;
And Frances dark,
Who made a mark.

That year went past,
A trifle fast,
How it did go,
We do not know.

The next year came,
Just less one name,
For Frances dear,
Did not appear.

With only three,
We worked with glee,
When Helen, alas!
Did leave our class.

She didn't shirk,
The call to work,
And went away
That very day.

So we're just two,
But we'll show you,
That we can be,
The "best," you see.

—R. Wertzberger, Com. II.

JUNIORS

JUNIOR CLASS HISTORY

On an ever-memorable September morn, in 1921, a class enrolled in Decatur Catholic High that was and is destined to make history that will stand out for many a year.

Our freshman class answered to the following names: Gerald (Mickey) Mylott, George (Runt) Laurent, Hugh (Spitty) Holthouse, Margaret (Nickey) Niblick, Fred (Turpin) Schulte, Earl (Dolly) Christen, Catherine (Katie) Herman and Robert (Doc) Voglewede.

At our first class meeting we elected the following class officers for the four years of our high school career: Earl Christen, President; Hugh Holthouse, Vice President; Gerald Mylott, Treasurer, and Robert Voglewede, Class Historian.

At the beginning of the second year, Catherine Herman entered Monroeville High School; and the following semester, Margaret Niblick took up a Commerical Course.

Up to this time we have established an enviable reputation in our schol work as well as in all other branches. We have five men on the varsity basketball team, and six on the football squad. Some Record!

We have passed two years as a bachelor. class and we are beginning to think "Wimen" ain't essential to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Watch our dust next year.

R. Voglewede, '25

JUNIOR CLASS

Earl Christen, Fred Schulte, Bob Voglewede, Gerald Mylott, Hugh Holthouse, George Laurent.

JUNIOR TOAST TO SENIORS

Good luck to you, friends,
May success attend you
All life's journey through.
Whate'er you plan to do,
Or enterprise pursue,
Good luck, good luck to you.

Selected

JUNIOR CLASS SONG

(Tune. "That Old Gang of Mine)

Gee! but it's worth the world to be with this old gang of mine.
I can't forget that old quartette that sang the Junior song.
Goodbye forever old Seniors and gals,
Goodbye forever old Seniors and pals.
(God bless them)
Gee! but I never will forget that old Junior Gang!

—Gerald Mylott, '25.

SOPHOMORES

SOPHOMORE CLASS HISTORY

This is supposed to be the Sophomore Class History, but I am going to depart from the ordinary run of class histories, (for everyone knows that if a person is a Sophomore in '24, he will, if he works hard enough, be a Senior in '25) and just ramble on, telling about Sophomores in general and this class of Sophomores in particular.

A Sophomore, is as you might say, betwixt and between. He hasn't the dignity and assurance that distinguishes a Junior or a Senior, and he usually isn't as green as a "Frosh." He's just getting over his Freshman ways, and learning how to be a Junior and a Senior.

Sophomores are usually supposed to be persons who look down on the Freshies and who are somewhat "stuck up," but we're not like that, tho' we have a right to be, for we're still the largest class in D. C. H. S. regular course.

But I'll have to get a little history in somewhere, so here goes:

As has been said, at some time or other in days gone by, the Sophomore class entered D. C. H. S. in September, 1922 and with good luck they hope to graduate in '26. I think there were nineteen in the class when we started, but several dropped out or joined the Commercial classes, so we are now a class of fourteen. We've had but few class affairs, but what we've had we've all enjoyed.

So that's that until next time, when we'll be Juniors, and perhaps there'll be more to say then.

SOPHOMORE CLASS

Boys (left to right) Cedric Voglewede, E. Durkin, D. Gage, T. Knipke, C. Gass, A. Voglewede, W. Holthouse, T. Kitson.

Girls (left to right) B. Christen, A. Nesswald, I. Baker, A. Clark, H. Holthouse, A. Murtaugh.

FRESHMEN

FRESHMEN CLASS HISTORY

At last you've come to the most interesting (?) part of this book. We are the "Freshies," twelve in number. Out of our eighth grade graduating class of thirty members, fifteen returned to be enrolled among the pupils for the Classical High School Course. In two days, two of the boys, considering High School too easy (?) began their studies in the Commercial Department. After Xmas we lost another pupil, making the remaining and present number, twelve.

Many say, we're only "Freshies" or "Dumbbells." Well, anyway, a number of the members of our class are taking part in Athletics. Two boys secured recognition on the football squad, and two boys and five girls took part in basketball.

In September, we attended our first class meeting at which we were welcomed as an acquisition to the school. The following class officers were elected: President, Richard Miller; Vice-President, Rosemary Smith; Secretary, Francis Wertzberger; Treasurer, Mary Harris; Historian, Fred Connell.

No doubt you'll want to know the names of the rest of our class, so here they are: Raymond (Ray) Miller, Thomas (Tom) Dowling, Gerald (Flabby) Smith, Joseph (Joe) Murtaugh, Mary (Coke) Colchine, Margaret (Mugs) Bremerkamp, Anna (Ann) Colchin.

FRESHMEN CLASS

Boys (left to right) F. Wertzberger, G. Smith, J. Murtaugh, T. Dowling, R. Miller, F. Connell, R. Miller.
Girls (left to right) M. Bremerkamp, R. Smith, M. Harris, M. Colchin, A. Colchin.

COMMERCIAL I

CLASS HISTORY

On September 5th, 1923, D. C. H. S. welcomed the largest commercial class in its history. There were fourteen, eleven of whom were graduates of the eighth grade class of '23. The commercial department proved a temptation to Geraldine Smith, Constance Schmitz, and Helen Bremerkamp, high school freshmen of last year; and they joined the class, which is the biggest and the best.

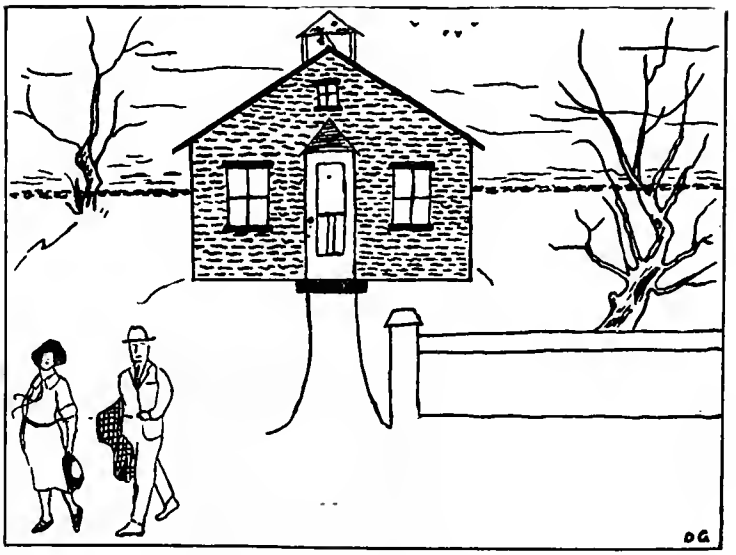
Since September, our number has decreased by two; Peter Koenig, and Herman Loshe. Peter met with a misfortune at a railroad crossing, but we do not count him lost, for by next year we all hope to have him with us again. Herman Loshe found the call of nature too alluring to resist, and he left us to exercise his business knowledge on his father's farm. We were sorry to lose him for he was a brilliant pupil, but we have no doubt that he will make a place for himself in the world.

Helen Bremerkamp, Com. 1.

"By their deeds we shall know them."

Lawrence Gase	Humanophone	Helen Bremerkamp.	Our "Irene Castle."
Jerome Omlor	Our Comedian	Constance Schmitz	Angel child (sometimes)
Leo Teeple	Just a real nice boy	Frances Malley	A little lady
Arthur Wemhoff	Tease	Geraldine Smith	"Number, please"
Robert Gage	Our Mechanic	Catherine Eiting	A bashful maid
Leon Kohne	De Pester the 2nd	Gladys Becker	Our "Jazz Baby"

ALUMNI



ALUMNI NOTES

Only those who are about to graduate from the school to which they have become attached, can have any idea how the Alumni feel. It certainly is no fun to say goodbye to the place you love, next to your home.

It is true, that when a class graduates from school they are not missed so much as they miss the school. This is easily accounted for, for as they leave school, another class is on hand to fill the vacancy made by their departure. New duties occupy the minds of the old students and no time is left for brooding over graduated friends.

One thing that the old Alma Mater can never forget is the record made and the example set by her former graduates, now representatives of the school. How proudly a teacher points to a former student, who holds a good position, or is making good credits in his work at some advanced school. How often is it not said, "That is a well-conducted school, for its graduates are certainly of the most creditable nature." A school will never be judged by its structure, but by its products.

D. C. H. S. feels safe in saying that those who have already graduated from her ranks have won for the school a good name. For this we thank them; and for this they will never be forgotten.

Soon other graduates will be added to the Alumni, and it is the sincere hope of all that they will strengthen and add to, the already established fame of D. C. H. S.

Margaret Mylott (Cloverleaf Creamery Inc.)
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Irene Holthouse (Waring Glove Co. Office)
Andrew Appleman (West End Restaurant)
Aloysius Schneider (Ford Garage)
Margaret Niblick (Home-
Manona Wertzberger (Baughman's 5 & 10c Store)
Walter Brunnegraff (Mutschler Meat Market)
Edward Murphy (First National Bank)

MARGARET MYLOTT—The students of D. C. H. S. are about to give a big school party. They wonder if "Mugs" could convince Mr. Klepper that he would make money and friends by lowering icecream prices.

CHARLOTTE NIBLICK—Word from Charlotte informs us that she is very busily engaged in reaching the Bethoven stage in music. Good luck, Charlotte!

IRENE HOLTHOUSE—"Hands cold?" Go see Irene about it. She can tell you anything about gloves, and where to purchase them.

ANDREW APPELMAN—It seems that "Andy" must have spent some idle moments in the Domestic Science Kitchen. A compliment to the Kitchen, we say.

ALOYSIUS SCHNEIDER—Honk! Honk! "Sweet music to my ears," says Snitz. If Snitz couldn't get along with the girls, he seems to be getting along with the Fords and their complaints.

MARGARET NIBLICK—We find that Margaret is still attached to the quiet and comfort of home life. Old Lucky!

MANONA WERTZBERGER—Manona hasn't grown old, for she certainly takes delight in working with toys and advertising dolls.

WALTER BRUNNEGRAFF—Well, Walter has decidely turned out to be a delivery boy rather than an office boy. He has also taken to speeding the delivery truck rather than the Underwood.

EDWARD MURPHY—Say Ed, do you remember the time you told us you didn't like Bookkeeping? You wouldn't say that now would you?

FACULTY

Rev. J. A. Seimetz

(Pastor and Superintendent)

Rev. J. A. Seimetz is our beloved pastor and superintendent. He also has charge of our Religion Course. For ten years, he has labored among us, respected and admired by all who know him. Truly Reverend Father is making the furtherance of our interests his life work. At present he is intent on the building of our new school, which, completed, will stand as the realization of his great dream for us. Reverend Father, regard for you, 'though here poorly expressed, is sincere.

REV. O. A. PETERS

(Assistant Pastor)

For the past four years, St. Mary's parish has claimed Reverend O. A. Peters as assistant pastor. His appointment to this parish was providential for D. C. H. S. He incited and encouraged interest in student athletics, with the result that D. C. H. S. has four basketball teams and one football team. We certainly appreciate his unselfish work, and express our desire for a continuance of the same.

We sincerely regret, that the custom of the Order of St. Agnes, discourages the printing of any of the pictures of its members for publication. Nevertheless, we take this opportunity to render them a mark of our appreciation for their work among us.

Sr. M. Vera
(Principal)

Sr. M. Vera came to us four short years back, when the high school was but one year old. Under her vigilant care and forethought, the school rapidly attained its present standard of efficiency. As a teacher of English, Latin and Science, Sr. M. Vera has long ago given proof of her unerring skill. Sr. M. Vera, has made friends out of school as well as in it. All who have come in contact with her charming personality, love her in virtue of it.

Sr. M. Antonita

Sr. M. Antonita has been at D. C. H. S. since it first took a hold on life, five years ago. Since that time, she has been in entire charge of the Commercial Department, and has turned out creditable stenographers. She has the lasting love and esteem of her pupils and graduates, and we trust that she will bless D. C. H. S. by her presence for many years to come.

Sr. M. Almeda

Sr. M. Alemda is our modest, little History and Mathematics teacher. For two years she has been among us. Persuading the Juniors that the Pythagorean theorem is logical, is only one of the many incidents of a husy day. We like Sr. M. Almeda and hope to list her among the faculty of D. C. H. S. in the future.

EDITORIALS

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Sitting (left to right) Marie Foos, H. Holthouse, E. Christen, A. Dowling, G. Mylott, B. Christen, D. Gage.

EDITORIALS

Unintentionally, the name of George Laurent, our Sports' Reporter, was omitted from the staff in the December issue of "The Tattler." We regret this omission very much, as George is one of the most faithful contributors we have.

OUR ADVERTISERS: For fair prices and good services, we recommend you, Mr. Reader, to turn back to our advertising section, and scan the listed advertisements. Practically every hustling progressive business man runs an ad with us. Follow the advertisements when buying, and you can't go wrong.

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OUR CONTRIBUTORS: To all our benefactors, known and unknown, who have in any way contributed to the support of "The Tattler" as subscriber, advertiser, or booster, we, the students of D. C. H. S., extend our gratitude, and ask for continued support when we publish later issues of our school paper.

SENIOR CLASS: In June, D. C. H. S. will bid farewell to its second Senior Class. Although we number but three members, nevertheless, we have always tried to do our bit to boost D. C. H. S. We take with us tender memories of happy, carefree days, spent here in the company of earnest teachers and schoolmates. Ever as Alumni, D. C. H. S. will find the '24 class, behind every movement the school sees fit to take.

A SACRED TRUST

When we bid farewell to a friend in whose society we have spent many a happy hour, we are inclined to search our belongings to see whether we have anything that we may treasure as a keepsake, as a souvenir of days gone by.

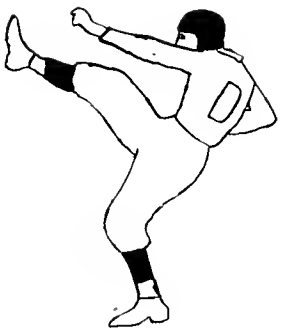
We are bidding adieu to the school of our childhood and youth; to a friend, nay more, benefactor, linked with our every aspiration and ideal of the past. Have we a keepsake from this friend? What is the most precious thing entrusted to us, which we can take into life's stern reality, and treasure as a souvenir of our school?

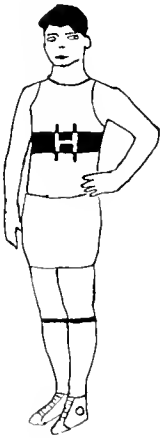
Shall it be the store of knowledge laboriously acquired during these years of application? Or the victories won by physicial or mental activity? Shall these occupy the hallowed shrine in our hearts. Ah no! Precious as these treasures are, one other sacred trust has been confided to us, which we must ever jealously guard as a memento of our happy schooldays. It is fidelity to all that our holy religion stands for; an unswerving loyalty to God, our Country and our Fellow Beings.

Class of '24, what are we going to do with this sacred trust? Let us join hands and promise ever to keep it inviolate, never to do aught that might tempt our enemies to point the finger of scorn at our holy religion. Let us be faithful to the keepsake entrusted to us, and ever, even at the cost of personal inconvenience and sacrifice, obey the voice of conscience, which in moments of doubt, will recall those principles of fidelity to all that is noble and good; instilled by those who themselves have relinquished the ties of kindred, so that they might the better serve their God and their country by a life of sacrifice for His Creatures.

Riches and friends may flourish and may fade,
A breath can make them as a breath has made;
But, oh, for our souls, redeemed at such cost,
....No gold can ever pay, should they be lost.

ATHLETICS





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Athletics

D. C. H. S. took a decided spurt in the eyes of the athletic world this season by placing one of the strongest teams in the field, that has ever represented this school. Our quintet defeated some of the strongest teams in this section, including Kirkland high school, which incidentally, spilled the Decatur high school team.

D. C. H. S. lost but three games during the entire season; two of these being lost to C. C. H. S., of Fort Wayne, and the other to the St. Patrick team, of Fort Wayne. We lost the former games by scores of 14-10 and 13-12. Both of these defeats were real scraps, however. The other game lost to St. Pats of Fort Wayne, can probably be ascribed to the small floor on which the game was played. The locals later gained revenge for that defeat by a victory of 24-17.

Rev. O. A. Peters

Ever since his coming, Father Peters has taken the most active interest in promoting athletics in Decatur Catholic High School. This year he worked with might and main for the success of our school. His work has won the commendation of the entire student body, as well as that of all those interested in athletics in this territory.

His motto is clean sportsmanship. He has impressed on all those under his tutilage that good sportsmanship is the best policy. We have tried to follow this motto and it has brought results.

Coach France Conter

D. C. H. S. basketball team was brought out of its kinks and worked into a wonderful combination through the excellent coaching of Coach France Conter. Conter took up the reins at the close of the football season ant proved most efficient.

This year's team was probably the best that ever represented D. C. H. S. in the athletic world. More can be said to France's credit, because this was his first year as a basketball coach. Before this, he confined his coaching merely to football, a sport in which he is even more efficient.

Conter's days with D. C. H. S. are not yet over; he will be with us again next year. He claims that next year's football team will surpass any other team in this part of the state, and when he says that he means something.

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Sitting (left to right) H. Holthouse, A. Womhoff, E. Christen, F. Schulte, R. Voglewede, C. Gass.

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Captain Schulte Injured

Our basketball team was greatly weakened as the result of an injury to Fred Schulte, our captain. "Fritz" received an injury to his knee in one of the first games of the season and ever since has been nursing that ailment.

"Fritz" started out in whirlwind fashion this season, doing great work in the Monroeville game. His teammates as well as other members of the school hope that his injured knee will be all right, at least by next September, when the football grind will begin.

Earl "Doc" Christen

Earl "Doc" Christen was appointed "acting" captain of the team on the floor in the absence of Cap't. Schulte. "Doc" is known as our "Old Reliable" because he can he called upon at any time to do his bit. Earl is perhaps the most consistent player on the team, playing at floor guard. He is a special expert at dribbling and fooling the opposition with his famous "south-paw."

Robert "Dolly" Voglewede

Robert "Dolly" Voglewede is our pivot man. Bob's elongated figure aided the team very much as he has a knack of getting the tip-off on his opponent. Bob plays a wonderful defensive as well as an offensive game. He together with Holthouse and Wemhoff at forward form a very good scoring combination for our team.

Hugh "Spitty" Holthouse

Hugh "Spitty" Holthouse our curly-headed forward, can be counted on to secure points, when they are needed. "Spitty" is quick and is very good in eluding his opponents. He has played a wonderfully improved game of basketball this year, and we are counting heavily upon him next year.

Carl "Tubby" Gass

Carl "Tubby" Gass is our heavyweight. Almost all teams have one or more players, as a center-attraction, and ours is no exception. "Tubby" Gass on account of his size is the center attraction of our team. Carl with Christen forms the Bulk of our defense. Carl's great work can easily be seen in the comparative scores of opposing teams.

Arthur "Legs" Wemhoff

Arthur "Legs" Wemhoff has been the running mate of Holthouse practically the entire season. His tall, lanky figure is of considerable aid to him in baffling the opposition. He and Holthouse on the average have practically divided scoring honors for the team. Art is an adept on the pull shot and his long shots from the side of the floor have won many games for his team.

Substitutes

Omlor, Laurent, and A. Voglewede have been substitutes for the team, during the entire season. Omlor and Laurent filled in the forward positions when they were called. A. Voglewede was guard, also capable of filling the shoes sof the regular guards, when the occasion offered. Laurent got into almost every game, while Omlor and Voglewede also got into their share of the games. Besides playing subs on the first team, the three named also played on the Second Team.

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VARSITY BOYS

1—D. C. H. S.—30.....St. Peter & Paul, Huntington..... 9
2—D. C. H. S.—42.....Monroeville 14
3—D. C. H. S.—21.....St. Mary's, Huntington 15
4—D. C. H. S.—10.....C. C. H. S. Ft. Wayne.....14
5—D. C. H. S.—12.....C. C. H. S. Ft. Wayne.....13
6—D. C. H. S.—25.....Kirkland 16
7—D. C. H. S.—26.....I. B. C., Ft. Wayne 15
8—D. C. H. S.—33.....Geneva 21
9—D. C. H. S.—35.....Monroeville 11
10—D. C. H. S.— 9.....St. Patrick's, Ft. Wayne 11
11—D. C. H. S.—26.....St. Mary's, Huntington 8
12—D. C. H. S.—26.....Kirkland 23
13—D. C. H. S.—23.....G. E. 2nds 11
14—D. C. H. S.—36.....Geneva 27
15—D. C. H. S.—21.....St. Patrick's, Ft. Wayne 17
16—D. C. H. S.—25.....St. Peter & Paul, Huntington 15

SECOND TEAM BOYS

1—D. C. H. S.— 6.....Huntington Orioles 12
2—D. C. H. S.—14.....Monroeville Seconds 12
3—D. C. H. S.—10.....Kirkland Seconds 8
4—D. C. H. S.—10.....Monroeville Seconds 6
5—D. C. H. S.—11.....St Patrick Reserves 10
6—D. C. H. S.—15.....Kirkland Seconds 13
7—D. C. H. S.—15.....Decatur Midgets 6
8—D. C. H. S.—29.....Huntington Orioles 16

INDIVIDUAL SCORING RECORD FOR THE VARSITY

Player	Field Goals	Foul Goals	Total
Wemhoff	51	10	112
Holthouse	51	8	110
Voglewede	37	9	83
Christen	19	11	49
Gass	10	4	24
Schulte	6	2	14
Laurent	2		4
Meyers	1	1	3
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EIGHTH GRADE ATHLETICS

St. Joe 8th Grade Wins City Championship

On March 26, the St. Joe 8th grade team defeated the Central 8th grade in the decisive game for the championship of the city, by a score of 18-15. Up to this time both teams had won a game.

This was the final game played by the St. Joe boys, and they displayed much ability in teamwork after a season's practice. This team is made up of a bunch of husky athletes, and they will form some healthy material for our high school in years to come.

St. Joe had a very successful season, winning a great majority of games played.

Grade Boys' Team

St. Joseph 8th grade boys..	17;	St. Mary's Huntington Junior High..... 8
St. Joseph 8th grade boys..	14;	Decatur Midgets 6
St. Joseph 8th grade boys..	15;	Decatur Midgets 2
St. Joseph 8th grade boys..	8;	Decatur Midgets 13
St. Joseph 8th grade boys..	34;	Decatur Midgets 25
St. Joseph 8th grade boys..	6;	Central 8th Grade 9
St. Joseph 8th grade boys..	21;	Central 8th Grade 20
St. Joseph 8th grade boys..	18;	Central 8th Grade 15

GIRLS' ATHLETICS

For the girls as well as for the boys the 1923-'24 basketball season was a big improvement over that of seasons past. The Varsity team won eight games and lost four during the season. Second team played and won three games.

The Varsity team numbered the following players:

Center—Helen Bremerkamp
S. Center—Ida Baker
R. Guard—Bernardine Christen
L. Guard—Geraldine Smith
L. Forward—Anna Baker (Alice Clark.)
R. Forward—Anna Dowling (Rosemary Smith.)

GIRLS' FIRST TEAM

D. C. H. S.	9;	Super Six	16
D. C. H. S.	6;	Super Six	13
D. C. H. S.	18;	Hoosier Paints	26
D. C. H. S.	16;	Kirkland	10
D. C. H. S.	22;	St. Augustine's	12
D. C. H. S.	28;	St. Mary's (Huntington)	10
D. C. H. S.	14;	St. Augustine's	6
D. C. H. S.	16;	Monroeville	5
D. C. H. S.	23;	St. Mary's (Huntington)	12
D. C. H. S.	15;	Kirkland	5
D. C. H. S.	15;	Berne	34
D. C. H. S.	13;	Decatur Business Girls	2

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GIRL'S VARSITY TEAM

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Sitting (left to right) H. Bremerkamp, A. Baker, A. Dowling, G. Smith.

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GIRLS' SECOND TEAM

The D. C. H. S. girls' second team, has not lagged in bringing victory to the school. Their record is clear of defeat. The team is composed of subs for the regular varsity team, and all at some time or other during the past year, have done faithful service in a big game. The team numbers the following players:

Center—Mary Harris
S. Center—Margaret Bremerkamp
R. Guard—Mary Colchin, Anna Colchin
L. Guard—Helen Holthouse
Forward—Rosemary Smith
Forward—Anna Murtaugh, Alice Clark.

D. C. H. S.....16;	St. Joe Grade Girls 10
D. C. H. S.....16;	St. Augustine Seconds 5
D. C. H. S.....24;	St. Mary's Seconds 11

GRADE GIRLS' TEAM

St. Joe's. 10;	D. C. H. S. Seconds.....16
St. Joe's. 12;	Central 8th grade 12
St. Joe's. 12;	Central 8th grade 3

D. C. H. S. Not To Have Baseball Team

May Have Parish Team

Some people have been asking, whether or not, our Catholic High School will put a baseball team in the field this summer. It has been decided by our Athletic Management not to form a baseball team from members of our High School but later on a Parish team may be formed. No definite plans have been made to this effect.

Spring Football at D. C. H. S.

Approximately thirty candidates have expressed their intentions of coming out for spring football practice, which is to be started as soon as weather conditions permit. Prospects for a winning team are extremely bright; not a member of last year's team being lost. Rev. Otto Peters, Director of Athletics, and France Conter, Coach, have been working hard to get the best of teams on the schedule. They have succeeded very well; as they have some of the best teams in this part of the state on the schedule. A game at Indianapolis with the Cathedral High of that place promises to be especially interesting.

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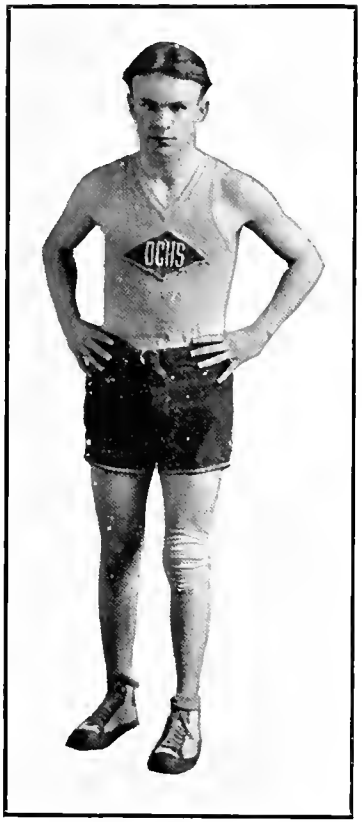
FRANCE CONTER
(Coach)

France is one of the most prominent young business men of Decatur. A graduate of I. U., well versed in scientific playing of football and basketball, he made an efficient coach, during the past year. We like the coach, and hope to see him at the helm for many more seasons.



FRED SCHULTE

Fred, captain of the basketball team, suffered a serious injury at the beginning of the season, which kept him from playing basketball. Undaunted, however, every game found Fred along the side lines, wildly cheering and encouraging his men. Next year ought to see Fred back again, and playing the game of his life.

EARL CHRISTEN

Christie, captain of the past season's football team, is an all-round athlete. He plays a clean game of basketball as well as football. D. C. H. S. is lucky in the prospect of having him on its Varsity Team next year.

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All of a sudden a sailor in the center of the group shouted loudly, "Give me liberty or give me death."

The captain snapped: "Who said that?"

Silence reigned: then a low voice, "Patrick Henry."

General before the fortifications of the enemy: "Carry the works."

Private Hick: "What do you think I am, an elephant"

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Tote Voglewede: "I'm no squirrel."

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At nine in the morning there's shorthand
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'Though often shorthand puzzles me
Yet in this class I like to be.

EXCHANGES

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SOCIETY

The mild air and twinkling stars, have lured many a boy of D. C. H. S. S. to hike out to Kekianga where they served themselves army style with a hot luncheon.

Twice this year, the girls' basketball team entertained as their guests visiting teams. At one time they served a piping hot luncheon to their friends, the St. Augustine team. Another time they entertained for the St. Mary's team, Huntington, with a dance at the K. of C. home.

The Commercial classes have been more than rushing the social calendar this year. Several parties have been held by members of the class, all of which were attended by the class.

Helen Bremerkamp entertained the following guests at a rousing watch party, at her home in Hoagland: Gladys Becker, Constance Schmitz and Geraldine Smith.

The mild spring evenings have influenced many girls and boys of D. C. H. S. to don their roller skates, and get the stiffness out of their joints.

A numher of jolly coasting parties were enjoyed by the students of D. C. H. S. in the early part of the winter. Generous lunches were taken by the coasting parties and these were eagerly sought later in the evening. Winter would not be real without the coasting parties.

On February 7, Miss Alice Clark was pleasantly surprised by a number of her girl friends who helped here celebrate her sixteenth birthday. The girls presented her with a useful present, a camera. The evening was enjoyably spent in playing bunco. The prizes were awarded to the Misses Bernardine Christen and Helen Holthouse. The hostess' nephew entertained the guests with a number of readings and jingles. A delectable luncheon was then served during which stories were told. Those present were the Misses Anna Martaugh, Ida Baker, Bernardine Christen, Helen Holthouse, and Mary Harris.

The greatest event of the social school life, of D. C. H. S. was the St. Patrick's party, given by the students on March 2. The school rooms were appropriately decorated in green and gold, the same color scheme being used for the dainty luncheon. When all were assembled, bunco was played and prizes were awarded to Carl Gass and Margaret Bremerkamp. George Laurent and Leon Kohne were awarded prizes in a guessing contest held later in the evening. Confetti, balloons and caps added excitement and enpoyment to the dance which followed. A delicious three-course luncheon was then served by the Refreshment Committee, dressed as waitresses. The Misses Virgine Smith, Marie Murtaugh, and Virginia Laurent were present as chaperons. The grand success of the party was due to the excellent work of the special committees in charge.

December 12, the Junior boys celebrated Gerald Mylott's birthday with a stag party at the latter's home. A good time "swell eats" and amusement, all the mysterious rites that make a stag party a "stag party" were enjoyed.

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SCHOOL NOTES

The Senior Class have been sporting their class rings for the last five weeks. They are beautiful specimens, octogon in shape, bearing the initials, "D. C. H. S." in the points and the year '24 in the center. The Seniors are proud of their selection and justly so for they showed wisdom in their choice. "Simplicity is charming."

Our Library has been strengthened by the addition of a set of the latest kind of dictionaries. The set consists of two volumes and is edited by the Funk and Wagnalls Co. We were just discussing the need of a new dictionary when, lo! our angel of mercy, in the guise of Fr. Seimetz, presented us with this wonderful set. Words cannot express our appreciation, Fr. Seimetz, for the beautiful gift of which we were the recipients.

D. C. H. S. is not to be outdone by her elders. While the drive for the new school was in progress, the D. C. H. S. Student Association held a meeting and voted the sum of $180 toward the new fund. This sum will be paid out in monthly installments of $5 each. Thus we prove to all that we, too, are up to the mark, and doing our best for the promotion of the erection of our high school.

Recently we were honored by the visit of two Sisters of Mercy from New Mexico. They were our guests at one of our Class Meetings and seemed to take a lively interest in all we said and did.

On the following day we were pleased to entertain two Sisters of Charity from Pennsylvania. They could not find words enough to praise our "Tattler" and their praises have served to spur us on to greater efforts, and we mean to show them that we have still in reserve, greater talents than those displayed.

SEVEN COMMANDMENTS OF D. C. H. S.

I. Thou shalt not slumber late, but rising up, hie thyself off to thy 8:15 class.

II. Thou shalt not trouble thy teacher by asking what grade thou wilt receive at the end of the term. For verily she knoweth not, and thou art not liable to find out 'till thy report reaches thee.

III. Honor the Faculty and their rulings, that they may speak well of thee, and crown thy efforts with a diploma.

IV. Thou shalt not look with covetous eyes upon thy neighbor's well-written composition, nor his examination paper, nor shalt thou desire it.

V. Thou shalt not envy the Junior class their Bachelor privileges, nor shalt thou envy the Seniors their supreme rule of the school, and their perfect control of the Juniors.

VI. Thou shalt not throw paper wads, nor corn, nor peas about the school room, else by so doing thou wilt lead others astray, and so set the school in rebellion.

VII. Thou shalt not snub the Freshies. For verily they do the best they can, and their looks will improve as the years go by.

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Our First Appearance As Debaters

In the midst of the worry and excitement that accompanies semester exams, came a challenge from C. C. H. S., Fort Wayne, to enter a debate with them. The difficult side of the problem was to fall to us. After a discussion, we decided not to accept the challenge, as we had never before ventured into a public debate. Now I see a smile of scorn playing about your lips, and hear the sneer in your voice as you say, "You refused! Why? Were you afraid?" Yes, we admit it without a blush. We were not conceited enough to think that we, a baby high school, could cope successfully or even creditahly with a school of such good standing as C. C. H. S. of Fort Wayne.

But we bumped our noses against a wall. C. C. H. S. refused to take "No" for an answer. The result was that we accepted the challenge and promised to uphold the affirmative side of the question: "Resolved: That the United States should Enter the League of Nations without Reservations."

The entire school realized the imporance of the task that confronted us and knew that only hard work would give us a showing. Material was sent for, and the Junior and Senior Classes went to work.

At the February Class Meeting, the preliminary contest was held. The affirmative side was debated by Anna Dowling, Marie Foos, Robert Voglewede and Earl Christen. The negative side was upheld by Anna Baker, Fred Schulte, Hugh Holthouse and George Laurent. Fr. Seimetz and Fr. Peters acted as judges, while Gerald Mylott was chairman. Both sides argued the question hotly. The negative won by a one-point margin. Following the decision of the judges, the speakers for the final debate were chosen by a vote of the class. To Anna Baker, Anna Dowling and Earl Christen fell the lot of the final struggle.

Then the work began in greater earnest than ever. So that there might be a consecutive whole, the team worked up a brief, and so that there might be no unnecessary repetition, each debater set to work to build up those points which he felt he could handle most satisfactorily..

Finally the big day for the contest, February 22, 1924, arrived. The warriors from C. C. H. S. marched in and the battle-line was formed. Mr. Roussey, Mr. Miller and Mr. Loney very creditably upheld the negative side. Attorney Erwin and Mr. Vance, of Decatur, and Attorney Hayes, of Fort Wayne, were judges. Mr. Corbett, of Fort Wayne, was chairman.

Each side ably defended its standpoint, and as one debater succeeded the other, the audience was at a loss to determine which side was likely to win.

The manner of delivery and the tone of conviction which pervaded the whole, showed much preparation and careful study of the question discussed. It was a difficult proposition for the judges to render a decision. All held their hreath when Attorney Hayes arose to announce results: D. C. H. S., 221; C. C. H. S., 216. For a second, but for a second only, we were stunned. Then the halls re-echoed with Rahs for the Debating Team of D. C. H. S.

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In the construction of sentences Gaelic is very different from English. People who know enough about the language to make use of it will tell you, for instance, that in Gaelic you have to talk backward. By this is meant that you do not begin by using the same word that you would begin with in English. In Gaelic the verb comes before the noun and the noun before the adjective. Thus, if you were going to say "A wise man shuns evil companions," you would arrange your words in this order. "Shuns a man wise companions evil." This way of putting the verb at the very beginning of a sentence is really better than having it follow the noun. Being the word of the sentence, it stands in its proper place.

Wise Cracks—A Dumbell

LIFE

Man comes into the world without his consent and leaves it against his will.

During his stay on earth his time is spent in one continuous round of contrarieties and misunderstandings.

In his infancy he is a....; in his manhood he is everything from a lizard up; in his duties he is a....fool.

If he raises a family, he is a chump; if he raises a check, he is a thief and then the law raises he.. with him; if he is a poor man, he is a poor manager and has no sense; if he is rich, he is dishonest, but considered smart; if he is in politics he is a grafter and a crook if he is out of politics, you can't place him, as he is "an undesirable citizen"; if he goes to church, he is a hypocrite; if he stays away from church, he is a sinner; if he donates to foreign missions, he does it for a show; if he doesn't he is stingy and a "tight-wad."

When first he comes into the world everybody wants to kiss him; before he goes out, they all want to kick him.

If he dies young, there was a great future before him.

If he lives to a ripe old age, he is in the way, only living to save funeral expenses.

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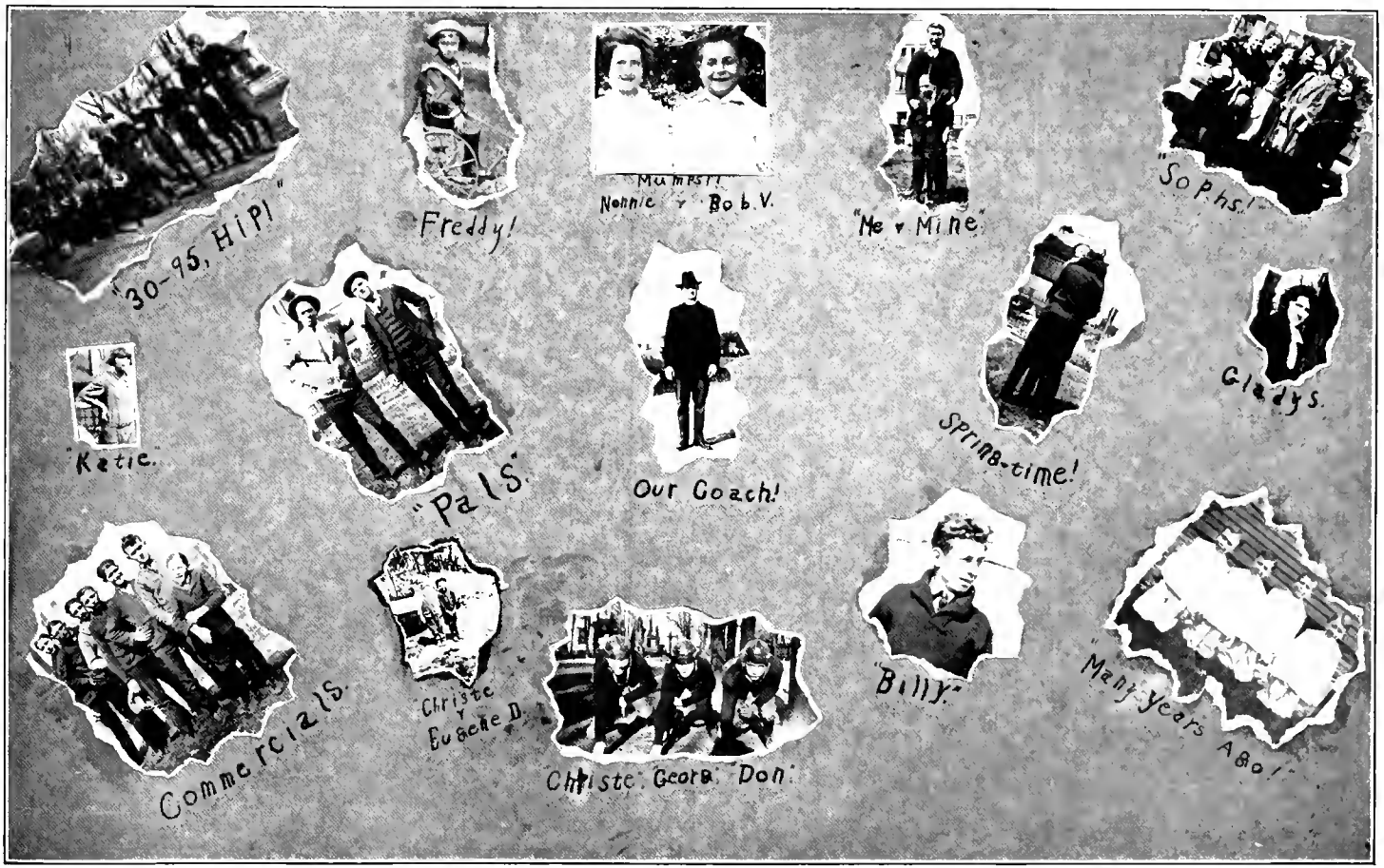
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Marie: "Do you think April will March?"

Anna Baker: "Don't know, but June May."

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Teacher: "Gerald, what is the man in the moon."

Gerald: (Startled out of a nap) "Mars-"

Teacher: "What is the best thing to do when there is an earthquake?"

Spitty Holthouse: "Go out on a level stretch of ground, and then let her shake."

Teacher: "Did I hear you say "dam"?"

Mickey: "No mam, I don't use baby talk."

Pat was sinking rapidly so a priest was summoned.

"Pat," he said gravely, "you are about to go west, while you have time you must renounce the devil."

"Father," replied Pat, "Ifm that bad off 'tis in on condition I am to be after makin' new inimies."

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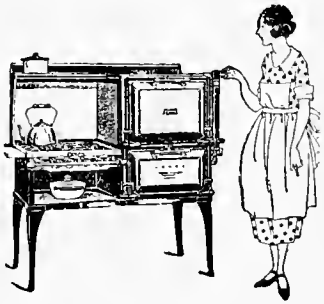

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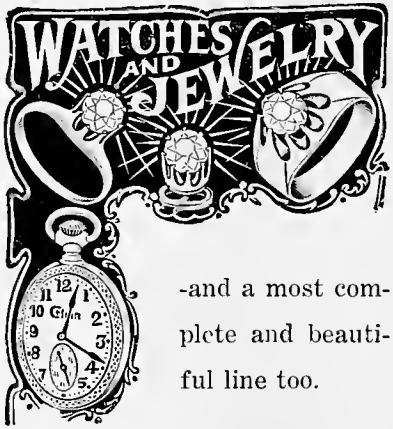

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Old Gentleman: (Dictating an indignant letter) "Sir, my shorthand typist, being a lady, cannot take down what I think of you; I being a gentle man cannot say it; but you, being neither, can easily guess my thoughts

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Gerald Mylott: "Every rose has its thorn."

"How true; but you know there's no such objections to orchids." ???

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"Santa Claus?"

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"Pardon me, my dear fellow, but I have quite forgotten your name."

"Very likely" replied the tailor in a low, sneering voice, "I made your togs."

"Oh, quite " with a smile. "My dear," he added, turning to his wife, "May I introduce you to Maj. Toggs."

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Customer: "But, I thought they would sing duets."

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Tubby to George: "Any coffee?"
George: " Just like your mother used to make."
Tubby: "I'll take a cup of tea."

"Gee! I'm tired," exclaimed the auto.

A Choice of Evils

"Hugh," said the teacher sternly, "do you know that you have broken the eighth Commandment by stealing James' apple?"

"Well" explained Hugh, "I might just as well break the eighth, and have the apple as to breake the tenth and only covet it."

Iky: "Fadder de man you owe $50 to is on de phone."
Fadder: "Vell you chust tell him ve had de phone took out."

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Tote: "On examination day."

Spitte: "What did you get for Christmas?"

Bill: "A six-legged horse."

Spitte: "Six legs? How's come?"

Bill: "Fore legs in front and two behind."

Colored Woman: "I want a ticket for Florence."

Ticket Agent: (After looking thru several time tables) "Where is Florence?"

Colored Woman: "Settin' over dar on dat bench. She am goin' South for Christmas."

We rave about the H. C. of L.,
And claim life is a frost;
But from the way we cling to it
It must be worth its cost.

"Some folks talk faster than they think," says Ezra Hawks. "While others stop thinking, when they start to talk."

Teacher: "You know this exam of yours reminds me of Quebec."

Helen B.: 'That so, and why?"

Teacher: "They are both built on a bluff."

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Issy: "Yes by chust a nose."
Issy's Father: "Mine Himmel vat a victory.'

Did He Can it Too?

Ben: "What's the matter?"
Christie: "I wrote an article on fresh milk and the editor condensed it."

A negro waiter fell with his tray:
The Downfall of Africa.
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Optimistic Bum: "If I had a bun I'd make an egg sandwich, if I had the egg."

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When a lecture the teacher gave.
Her eyes were large and blue,
And her very appearance showed she knew,
She ruled the school with a ruler,
Not one of any class could fool her.
Only one look that was enough
They kenw that she knew her stuff.
Once in a great while she lost her temper.
But some sarcastic Junior put on the damper.

Art. V.: "Jim called you up this morning."

Bob. V. "Jim, Jim, Who?"

Art. V.: "Gymnasium; he wanted another dumbbell."

Women's faults are many, men have only two, Every single thing they say, everything they do.

1924 novelist: "In all her flower-like daintiness, she quivered like a Ford fender under his admiring glances."

"Absolutely shocking," murmured the college professor as he touched a live wire.

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Geometry is just a form of arithmetic
But in my brain, it will not stick.
Latin, Oh! those old translations,
Are really worse than new formations.
History is very interesting,
But the dates. I'm always missing.
Arithmetic, I somewhat like,
But I must work with all my might.
English, too, with all its phases,
May account for Sophomore crazes.
But examinations are the worst to take,
And always make my poor headache.

Bold Caesar in his grave doth lie,
While oe'r his works I now do sigh.
'Though in the ancient Latin tongue,
His works were written one by one,
Like ancient Greek, they seem to me,
How he could write them, I can't see.

The cow was standing on the track
The train roared 'round the bend,
The cow was never hit before,
But she got it in the end.
At nine in the morning there's shorthand
With the transcriptions in longhand.
The hooks and the loops have their places,
As well as the lines and the circles.
Now come the rules and the reading
Till, the recess bell starts ringing.
Though often shortland puzzles me,
Yet in this class I like to be.

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Ump Omlor had sprained his wrist and didn't want to go to school.

"But your wrist is nicely bandaged," urged his mother, "It won't prevent you from attending classes."

Still Ump held back. Dad took a hand at this point, "Now speak-up, son," commanded his father. "Let's have the real reason. " "Why don't you want to go to school with a sprained wrist?"

"Too many boys owe me a licking."

Don was under orders never to go swimming. One day mother became suspicious.

"Don, your clothes are wet," she said, "You have been in the water again."

"Yes, mother, I went in to save George Laurent,"

"My noble darling. Did you jump in after him?"

"No, mother. I jumped in first so as to be there when he fell in."

Geraldine: "Does skating require any particular application?"

Gerald: "No, arnica or horse liniment, one's as good as the other."

One little red hot sleeping in a bun,
I came along, and then there was none.

1st: "Do you drink any more?"
2nd: "No, just as much."

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Six-year old Mary awoke about two o"clock in the morning, "Tell me a story, mama," she pleaded.

"Hush, darling' said her mother. "Daddy will be in soon and he will tell us both one."

Violet held a golden rod, as queen of all carnation, Arbutus rang the blue bell, and told the whole creation

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Ida: "I didn't understand what kind of a door Arthur spoke of."

Arthur: "A corridor."

Fred: "Do you know when stars collide with stars?"

Hugh: "No, do you?"

Fred: "Yes, when one class is leaving the study hall and another is coming in."

Anna B.: "Oh! pa, pa, what is your birthstone?"

Pa: "My dear, I'm not sure, but I think its the grindstone,"

If a man is run down in health and gets run down by an automobile, can the widow get full damages ????

The man (gloomily) "I was told to go abroad at once."

The girl, "Nonsense, "These doctors musn't frighten you out of your life like that."

The man: "It wasn't a doctor. It was a lawyer."

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Customer: "A nickel's worth of almonds, please."

G. Mylott: "If you come around here you can smell them better."

Bernadine C. in 1st row: "I know you and you had only one father."

DESCRIPTION OF A JUNIOR

A Junior sat upon her throne,
And round the room her gaze did roam.
Her head placed archly on her neck
Resembled a ship's upper deck.
Her specs were placed square on her nose,
The thickness of them allow her to doze.
Her hat was often colored green
And in many ways looked like her bean.
Her sweater hugged her two slim shoulder,
Which stuck out like two boulders.
Her hair was very neatly parted,
And left a crack where her brain had departed.
Her face was covered with powder and paint,
And nothing about her looked like a saint.
The reason I am sayiny this to her face,
Is because there is no girl in the class at this date.

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